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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6314**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 447

**NOTE PREPARED:** Nov 23, 2010

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** School Board Elections.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Schneider

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**      **GENERAL**  
                                 **DEDICATED**  
                                 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill provides that school board members selected by election must be elected at general elections beginning in 2012. The bill repeals provisions related to the election of school board members at the primary election.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2011.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** *Summary:* School board governing body members would be elected at general elections beginning with the 2012 general election. There would be minor cost adjustments from primary to general election budgets, primarily for ballot costs, in counties with primary-elected school boards.

**Background:** Out of 288 school boards responding to a Department of Education survey during school year 2009-2010, 195 school boards are elected at primary and 78 are elected at general elections.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Counties with primary-elected school boards.

**Information Sources:** Department of Education.

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